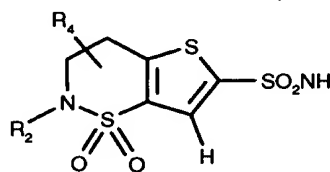
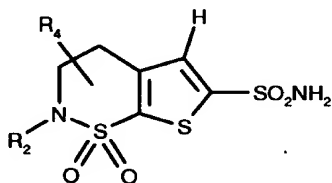


Although Applicants believe that in this situation, particular isomers are patentable over the racemates, in an effort to move this case towards allowance, a terminal disclaimer has been filed to overcome the Examiner's rejection on the grounds of obviousness type double patenting in view of US Patent No. 5,240,923.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 2, 8 and 14 are not understood. In relation to the structure in Claim 1, when R_3 is in the 4 position GNR_1R_2 is in the 5 position and visa versa (see the Spec., p. 6, lines 1-3, "Structure I includes isomers, wherein R_3 and GNR_1R_2 are attached to the 4 and 5 position respectively or R_3 is attached to the 5 position and GNR_1R_2 is attached to the 4 position.").

Claim 1 is also rejected under 34 USC §112, first and second paragraphs based on the Examiner's position on page 5 of the Office Action regarding R_1 and R_3 . In an effort to help the Examiner understand why these constituents are floating in the structure, Applicants have provided two structures (see below) to show how R_3 and GNR_1R_2 as now set forth in Claim 1 are attached to the 5 membered ring to form a 6 membered ring. R_4 is then a substituent on the 6 membered ring (see the Spec. p. 4, lines 3-5 "or R_1 and R_3 can be joined together with carbon atoms to form a ring of from 5 to 7 members in which said carbon atoms can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with R_4 ").



The date for the Gronowitz article is 1986.

In view of the above amendments, explanations, and terminal disclaimer, Applicants' claims are now in condition for allowance and notice thereof is respectfully requested.

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